





WEDNESDAY 9, 1903.

It is not our purpose to overdraw or too flatteringly speak of the possibilities and probabilities of the future of Columbia and Adair county, and if the following reaches beyond the limits warranted by present tendencies and assurances it may be charged to our inability to dwell in the shadows of the dark side of the question, and our fondness to bask in the sunlight of hope, enterprise and progress in all the walks of life. For fifteen years we have made our home in this vicinity; for fifteen years we have closely watched the movements of our town and county, and it is the events of the period which we desire to call attention. Those familiar with conditions then will remember that at that date there was not a business house in Columbia but one small hotel building with none of the modern conveniences; one cramped affair livery stable; one tank doing business in its constructed apartments, one newspaper coming from an old Washington hand press, two high school backed only by the energy of their principals, resulting in the death of one and the weakening of the other, and the general condition of many of the streets and alleys not inviting. In the county at that day the general appearance of many farms and improvements indicated indifference and the public roads seemed to have received but little attention. Standing on the highest pinnacle overlooking our town and county to-day, we see that a great change has been wrought. The picture similar to the patent medicine "ad" of a wonderful discovery, showing the difference between and after taking. To-day Columbia is the best inland town in the State and Adair county the most progressive of any in Southern Kentucky. Columbia of fifteen years ago is not the Columbia of to-day. Large, neat, substantial brick business houses have crowded out the old frames and followed in the destruction of the shacks by fire. Two large hotels, one brick, the other frame, give accommodations equal to many towns five times as large. Two livery stables, well and thoroughly equipped; two schools on the same acre order, both endowed sufficiently to tide them through the most adverse circumstances, one being the M. and F. High School the other the Lindsey-Wilson Training School, now nearing completion; two planning mills; one large flouring mill and saw mill combined; all her streets and alleys clean and graded, her four churches in fine condition, a number of neat cottages and beautiful residences of modern style recently built and plainly and truly speaking the citizenship of our town was never better. The business men in every line strictly honest and accommodating, exacting nothing but a meager profit. The professional men, lawyers, physicians, dentists and ministers men of high character by breeding and practice and truly we doubt whether in the entire history of the town have the professions been so honored with ability or possessed less mediocrity than at the present time. We desire to mention the trustworthy improvement so recently made in the cemetery. Its present condition is commendable and marks the respect that Columbians have for their honored dead—their bodies rest beneath the blue-grass and instead of the bramble, briar and thorn. In the county the before and after picture applies. Our farmers keeping step with the spirit of the times have made many improvements within the last one and a half decades. Neat and substantial silt and wire fences have been crowding out the old rail fabrics with their accompanying undergrowth, the thickest many of them have disappeared and the land put under

modern methods of cultivation; many good barns and convenient wellings have pushed aside the shabby and log-pole. The public roads have been improved in many spots and four strong iron bridges span our streams at important crossings. If interested in the welfare of county or town look the field over and from the slow but steady advance, take courage, quicken your pace and as we all go after greater improvement, as the more convenience, and better value for this month. With our reach are first-class pike, concrete bridges, and the electric railroad for our county. Within the ability of our town are water works, electric lights and the key that unlocks desirable transportation facilities of the most modern pattern. Shall we have these; shall we be content to sit in idleness and watch the dream of a few months? We believe the future bright and laden with great activity for Columbia and vicinity. The opportunity is ours and if seized will revitalize this entire section. Columbia with her schools her desirable location, her resources and geographical position needs only railroad facilities to make her the most prosperous town in the state. The survey and location of that enterprise is now being made by a construction company willing to aid in our development. The people of this town and county ought to realize the importance of such an undertaking and come to the rescue. Slowly but surely our town is growing and improving in many respects and in another decade a wonderful transportation may take place.

Hon. John W. Yerkes has called upon Dr. Hunter and had a talk over the political affairs of Kentucky. Dr. Hunter has called upon the President, and on his return from the White House he said there was no authority for the statement that he was opposed to the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt. Yerkes is a warm supporter of Roosevelt, and after his "chat" with the Doctor, the latter went straightway to see the President. Edwards is going to contest and Hunter is putting up his fence.

The members of the Kentucky delegation in Congress forwarded a handsome wedding present to their colleagues, the Hon. Ollie James. It is a silver punch bowl and ladle. The bowl is twelve inches in height and fully twelve inches in diameter. On one side is the inscription: "To the Hon. Ollie M. James, from his Kentucky colleagues in the Fifty-ninth Congress." Then follow the names of both Senators and nine Democratic Representatives.

Another effort is now on foot to secure a pardon for Henry Clay King, a native of Cumberland county, Ky., who has been in the Nashville penitentiary for quite a number of years. He killed a man named Polan. King has a number of relatives about Bowling Green, and when a young man he taught school in Columbia. At the time of the killing he was a leading lawyer in Tennessee.

The wildest day ever seen on the New Orleans cotton market was last Thursday. The government estimate of 9,962,000 bales sent prices up from 90 to 92 cents. In New York there was a general rush to buy, and fortunes were made and lost in a few minutes.

Last Wednesday Governor Beckham issued his proclamation announcing the adoption of the Constitution amendment voted on at the November election. This is in accordance with section 200 of the constitution of the State.

The recent Chicago street railway strike cost the company \$250,000 in loss of fares and the strikers more than \$50,000 in wages. It cost the greatest sufferers of all, the general public, much more in personal and business injury.

It is said that Hon. John G. Carlisle has accumulated thirty million dollars practicing law since he went out of Cleveland Cabinet. He has just been appointed arbitrator of claims against the Republic of San Domingo.

As we go to press the inauguration of Gov. Beckham is in progress at Frankfort. There are many visitors at the Capital.

Outer Gardiner, the wholesale murderer of Hart county, has been reported to Bowling Green for safekeeping.

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# ARRESTED AFTER YEARS.

It was a case of the "long arm of the law" that would, in all probability, have forever remained a secret, had not been for the busy politician. Twenty-eight years ago Will Brake was sentenced in the Clay County Court at Sella, Tenn., to a term of three years in the penitentiary for criminal assault. Six months later he made his escape and went to the State of Missouri. Later he was recaptured, and again he escaped. He went to Indiana and married. His wife died, and he came to Kentucky. Eleven years ago he located near Marrowbone, Cumberland county, where he married again, and has lived ever since, his neighbors never suspecting that he was an escaped convict. The place where he decided to stay the remainder of his days is not over fifteen miles from the Tennessee line, not over twenty-five miles from the scene of his crime.

It somehow leaked out that Brake had served a term in the penitentiary at Nashville, and in order to see if he had ever been restored to citizenship, Dr. Young, of Watervine, three miles from Brake's home, wrote to Nashville. A reference to the record disclosed the fact that Brake was an escaped convict. At once J. C. Burnett, who was sheriff of Clay county at the time Brake was sentenced, came up from Nashville by the way of Colina, and arrested Brake, who was engaged in killing hogs at the time of his arrest.

Brake agreed to accompany the officer without any trouble, and went to his home and told his wife of his predicament. Upon learning that she was the wife of an escaped convict she failed. Brake will be returned to the penitentiary.

## FROM TEXAS.

DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 19, 1903. Editor Adair County News: Thinking that a few lines from the "Lone Star State" would be of interest to our friends in the grand old State of Kentucky, we will endeavor to give a few items regarding this section.

We are located in Dallas, the leading commercial city of Texas, situated at the head of navigation on the Trinity river. This city is famous for its great number of fine churches and wholesale implement houses, it being the second largest distributing point for agricultural implements in the United States.

Our friends, Messrs. Ollie McCaffrey and Will May, two of Kentucky's most notable young men, accompanied by Messrs. Porter and Griffin, two young men of Dallas, started last Monday for California, via Pikea Peak and will visit several other points of interest as en route to Los Angeles. We regret very much to see them depart and it was with much sadness that we saw them in goodby, but we wish every happiness and prosperity in their new location.

Stopping at our house are also two Kentucky gentlemen, Col. R. M. Arnold, of Hopkinsville, and his brother, Mr. I. R. Arnold, who add much to the gaiety of our household.

Thanking our editor in advance for his kindness, and with the best wishes, we are,

The report of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristol on the second day of the Post-office Department has been sent to the public. It reveals in all its hideousness the arranged schemes of the great thieves in the manner in which the various swindlers were practiced. In branch of the public service has afforded an unusually rich field for the swindlers and it has been worked to its limit. The stealing has been going on during the three successive Presidential administrations. The report is at least length the operation of Thayer, Becker and Machen, and details that millions of dollars have been swindled through a "system of organized corruption" that began in 1863. The loss to the government, says Mr. Bristol, cannot be estimated with any degree of accuracy, but the amount recovered by the perpetrators of the frauds will aggregate from \$300,000 to \$400,000. The report is very critical on the conduct of Perry S. Heath during his term as First Assistant Postmaster General. Heath is Secretary of the National Republican Committee, and is still high in the confidence of the Republican party. The whole story as told in the report is a startling revelation of gigantic corruption on the part of high officials of the government.

Andrew Belmont, a prominent and wealthy tobacco man of Henderson, was found guilty in the Federal court of sending obscene letters to Miss Francis Soper, a sister-in-law of Congressman Hensley. He was fined \$1,000 which he paid.

# SHOWED HOW IT WAS DONE.

R. C. Morgan, of Lexington, brother of Gen. John Morgan, the famous Confederate leader, called upon Gov. Nash at Columbus, O., Monday, and later visited the Ohio penitentiary, where in 1863 he was confined as a prisoner of war. During his visit to the prison he met at rest the reports that the party who escaped on the night of November 27, 1878, had bribed their way out. He went to the cell block and explained how the escape was made.

Mrs. Arabella Elliott, of Kokomo, Ind., has testified in court that for two years of her married life her husband, Henry H. Elliott, insisted that they should live on beans. They had beans for breakfast, beans for dinner and beans for supper. It was beans, beans, until she heard the rattling of beans in the flapping of the vines against the corner of the dear little cottage; she had beans in her dreams, and in her waking fancies all the world became a pod and all the men and women in it were merely beans. Finally she got Mr. Elliott to change of potatoes, but he plied for beans, and fearing that he would insist on returning to them, she used for divorce.

Charles Pettit, of Stanton, a brakeman on the Lexington & Eastern railroad, who was killed in a wreck last week, was to have been married to Miss Cora Ewen, second daughter of Capt. B. J. Ewen, the Breckinridge, and all preparations had been made for the wedding during the holidays. The wedding suit of Pettit was used as a burial robe. Miss Ewen, with other members of her family, attended the funeral.

Col. James Smith, who farms in an extensive way in Crawford county, Mo., has erected a monument to himself in a local cemetery and thereby has in some mysterious way roused the indignation of his neighbors, perhaps because he is still a hale and hearty citizen. A mob partially demolished the monument, which is of white marble 30 feet above the ground. The colored officer \$600 reward for information regarding the guilty parties, whereupon the citizens burned him in effigy, and now they offer \$1,000 to any one who will tell who attended the bonfire.

By the collision of a freight train with a work train on the Big Four railroad near Tremont, Ill., twenty miles from Peoria, thirty-one men were killed and fifteen or more injured. The men killed were all members of a "cotton crew" and had been engaged in shoveling steel rails. The freight train crew is said to have disobeyed orders.

Gov. Peabody, of Colorado, denies he has been heard of any price to blow up the State house. He says he has received many anonymous letters, but they have contained no threats of that nature.

Burglars entered the store of Henry Yunker, of Mt. Vernon, Ind., and not only blew open the safe but partially wrecked the building. Several hundred dollars in cash and valuables were taken.

Robert J. Hale, a Washington prisoner, killed himself and his wife when he learned that relations with a girl who died from the effects of an operation had been discovered.

## FOLLOW THE FLAG DAILY.

September 15th to Nov. 30th Very low one-way colonists rates to California, Washington, Oregon, Montana, British Columbia and intermediate points.

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F. W. Greene, D. P. A. Wabash R. R. 228-4th Ave. Louisville, Ky.

The steamer Discovery, bound from Alaska to Seattle, is reported to have been lost with all on board.

Dr. C. C. Roberts, President of Centre College, Danville, died on Friday, aged 71 years.

Eliot Horner, a blacksmith, of Winchester, died in Lexington Sunday noon after reaching that place. He had been drinking heavily.

The removal of two bodies from the cemetery at Hannibal, N. Y., revealed the fact that both bodies had been petrified. It is believed all the bodies in the graveyard have gone through a like process.

There is great excitement over the new gold field in Apache canyon in the Ochoila mountains east of Hillsboro, N. M. News first came in less than a week ago, and now 600 persons are on the ground.

At Louisville, William Bullitt, colored, was given seven years in the penitentiary on a charge of attempting to criminally assault Miss Myers.

Eleven members of the Louisville Fire Department were dismissed from the service in consequence of the investigation following the looting at the Masonic Temple fire.

William Wyma, capitalist and philanthropist, died at his home in Baltimore. He started the movement for a new home for the Johns Hopkins University.

Oleto Powers and Jim Howard were given a treat in the Louisville jail on Thanksgiving day by a traveling show company. There were entertainers by vaudeville stunts and specialties and loudly applauded the performance.

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Charles Morris, aged 88 years, who died in Greenup county last week, boasted that he had never cast a vote.

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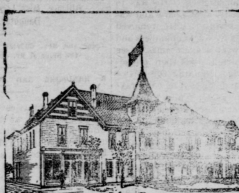
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